# Information for Students on Exchange

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  i) **Module Mapping & Credits Transfer**

Please ensure that your module mappings are approved by the relevant departments in NUS before you depart for the exchange. You can submit your request for module mapping via myEduRec using the module mapping worksheet after you have accepted your SEP offer.

Modules approved in the past might not be offered by the host university or approved by your faculty when it is time for your exchange. Please check the latest course offerings at the host universities while you are preparing your Study Plan. You are encouraged to map some spare modules in the event that your preferred modules are not offered in that semester, unavailable or cancelled.

[Click here](http://www.auckland.ac.nz) for a step-by-step guide on applying for module mapping.

  ii) **Academic Calendar**

**Semester 1:** Early March to End June  
**Semester 2:** End July to Mid November

[https://www.auckland.ac.nz/dates](https://www.auckland.ac.nz/dates)

  iii) **Exchange Duration**

One semester

  iv) **Examination**

Students are expected to attend the mandatory examination at the host university.

  v) **Curriculum Structure**

Exchange students are considered non-degree students at UoA and enrolled in the COPEX (Certificate of Proficiency for Exchange) Programme. The standard course load for full-time study is 50-60 points per semester. Most courses are weighted at 15 points and students generally take 4 courses per semester. The maximum workload is 60 credit points.

A standard semester course of 15 points represents 150 hours of study or ten hours a week for 15 weeks (12 teaching weeks and 3 weeks of study break and examinations). The student workload in the teaching weeks would comprise 120 hours, made up of lectures, tutorials, seminars, laboratory classes, and other face-to-face contact, plus independent study as appropriate for each course.
vi) **Entry Requirements**

- be enrolled at the National University of Singapore (NUS) as a full-time student;
- have completed at least two semesters of study before embarking on the exchange programme;
- have a sound academic record, i.e. minimum CAP of 3.0, and should not have any grade below grade ‘C’ (grade point of 2.0) in any module;
- have sufficient financial means to cover the necessary expenses for the duration of the SEP;
- obtain the Faculty’s approval for the SEP through your application;
- satisfy partner institution and host country entry requirements;
- check with the issuer of any scholarship he or she is receiving to ensure there are no restrictions involving overseas study (e.g. Ministry of Foreign Affairs or Ministry of Education);
- have a clean disciplinary record and be a strong ambassador for NUS and Singapore; and
- not in the final semester of your degree during SEP.

vii) **Language Proficiency Requirements**

English is the language of instruction at the University of Auckland. NUS students should possess reasonable English proficiency level in order to follow the classes during the exchange term.

viii) **Faculties & Schools accepting exchange students**

- Arts
- Business
- Creative Arts and Industries
- Education and Social Work
- Engineering
- Law
- Science

Course descriptions and schedules are published in early November for the subsequent year (Semester 1 and 2).

Brief course descriptions and information on course prerequisites and restrictions are available in the course catalogue [http://www.auckland.ac.nz/sso-courseadvice](http://www.auckland.ac.nz/sso-courseadvice).

ix) **Module restrictions and pre-requisites**

Exchange students can select courses across different disciplines provided they meet course prerequisites and that the courses are not restricted.

Law courses are only available for students who have been nominated under a specific Law exchange agreement. Law exchange students can only take courses in Faculty of Law. Kindly note that courses generally commence before the official start of semester.

Courses not open to exchange students:
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- Medicine, Surgery, Pharmacy, Nursing and Optometry
- Courses running for the whole academic year – eg PSYCH 308A and 308B
- 100 level courses in Fine Arts, Architecture and Planning (only available for students major in the subjects)
- BUSINESS101 and BUSINESS102
- Graduate School of Management courses running quarterly – e.g. BUSACT, BUSADMIN etc.
- Foundation courses ending with the letters F or H – eg HISTORY 91F or MAORIHTH14H. These are foundation year courses and not appropriate for exchange students.
- Stage I Engineering courses (ENGGEN 115, ENGGEN 121, ENGGEN 131, ENGGEN 140, ENGGEN 150, ENGSCI 111, ENGSCI 101, CHEMMAT 121) except for those ending in G
- Courses offered in the Faculty of Law – Part II courses, Part III yearlong courses and Part IV Advocacy, Mediation and Negotiation courses
- Policy 702
- Global 100, Global 200 and Global 300
- Courses delivered online
  (Note: Exchange students cannot take more than 25% of online courses to meet the Immigration New Zealand student visa requirement. Please ensure that your home faculty allows module mapping for online courses.)

Courses with very limited enrollment availability:

- Courses showing the letter “G” – eg PHYSICS 107G
- Psychology and Drama stage II & III courses
- 700 level Finance and Accounting courses

Note: Students are recommended to have a second choice option for each course with limited enrolment availability. Students from these areas must apply early, in particular for UoA Semester 2. Also, they must upload updated transcripts including all courses they have taken and provide the course outlines when applying for concessions.

Courses with additional application requirements:

- Many courses in Fine Arts, Architecture and Music require submission of supplementary information such as a portfolio or DVO audition. For more information, refer to [www.creative.auckland.ac.nz/ug-supp-app](http://www.creative.auckland.ac.nz/ug-supp-app) or contact the Creative Arts and Industries (CAI) at [info-creative@auckland.ac.nz](mailto:info-creative@auckland.ac.nz).
- For language courses students must complete a Language Ability Declaration to ensure that they are placed at an appropriate level. For more information, refer to [www.creative.auckland.ac.nz/ug-supp-app](http://www.creative.auckland.ac.nz/ug-supp-app).
### D. Application

**i) Procedures**

Students can apply for SEP one year in advance through their home faculty in NUS between September and June. Please look out for your faculty’s announcement regarding the application period.

Once you have been selected by your home faculty for SEP, your faculty will contact you and provide information regarding application with your host university. Please prepare the necessary documents before the start of the application period at your host university.

**ii) Deadlines**

All NUS students must abide by the internal application deadline set by their home faculty for exchange participation in the following academic year. After clearing the internal application and selection process, students have to take note of the application deadline set by the host university.

Failure to submit a formal application to the host university will result in your exchange being forfeited even if you have been selected by NUS for the exchange.

### E. Accommodations

**i) University Accommodation**

UoA offers several student accommodation options ranging from Halls of Residence to self-catered flats or apartments. Apply by the deadline to be considered for on-campus accommodation.

For more information about accommodation, please refer to [http://www.accommodation.auckland.ac.nz](http://www.accommodation.auckland.ac.nz).

**ii) Private Accommodation**

Students who do not wish to stay in a University residence are responsible for finding their own accommodation but may seek guidance from the Accommodation Advisory Service at [www.accommodation.auckland.ac.nz/advice](http://www.accommodation.auckland.ac.nz/advice) or [advisoryaccom@auckland.ac.nz](mailto:advisoryaccom@auckland.ac.nz).

### F. Visa

**Consular/Visa Regulation**

Exchange students must apply to New Zealand Immigration for a student visa and obtain the visa before entering New Zealand. Please note that it is NOT possible for exchange students to travel to New Zealand on a visitor’s visa and apply for a student permit upon arrival in New Zealand, even if you...
are a citizen of a country with which New Zealand has a visa waiver agreement. It is imperative that all exchange students get their student visa **BEFORE** travelling to New Zealand, as you may be refused a student permit if you apply from within New Zealand.

Students are advised to apply for the necessary visa immediately after they received the official offer letter/email from their host university. This is to ensure that you can obtain your visa in time before the start of your exchange term. Your exchange at the host university depends on the clearance by the immigration of the host country.

For more information on visa applications, please refer to [http://www.immigration.govt.nz/](http://www.immigration.govt.nz/)

### G. Safety, Health & Medical Insurance

**i) Health/Medical Insurance**

All registered NUS students are covered under the university health insurance and the blanket travel insurance. For more information, please refer to [http://www.nus.edu.sg/finance/students/student-travel.html](http://www.nus.edu.sg/finance/students/student-travel.html).

Exchange students are required to purchase a compulsory medical and travel insurance when studying in New Zealand. UoA’s preferred insurance policy for International students is Studentsafe-University. The estimated cost is NZ$310 per semester. The Studentsafe insurance fee will be charged to students account automatically upon enrolment.

In addition, it is recommended that you purchase a comprehensive travel insurance for the full duration of your stay abroad, including your personal travel within/outside New Zealand. Please review the insurance coverages to ensure that they meet your needs. Students can purchase additional health and/or travel insurance from their preferred agent.

For more information on health and insurance, please refer to [http://www.auckland.ac.nz/is-insurance](http://www.auckland.ac.nz/is-insurance)

**ii) Emergency Number at host university**

+64 21 376922

### H. Cost of Living

**i) Estimated Monthly Living Expenses**

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<td>Student Story: Why chose Maori 190: Kapa Haka 1 and how the student defined his Auckland experience. <a href="#">Read his story</a>.</td>
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